

PRESS RELEASE:

BLOODY SUNDAY MARCH COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES DETAILS OF 2024 PROGRAMME

'From Derry To Gaza: Injustice Is Everywhere – But So Is The Resistance'

The upcoming 52nd anniversary of Bloody Sunday, which took place on 30th January 1972 will be commemorated in Derry with a programme of events culminating in the annual march **from** the Creggan to the Bogside. The **Bloody Sunday March Committee** will formally launch that programme as well as the poster and banner which accompany it at Free Derry Wall on Monday 22nd January 2024 AT 1.30PM.

On the poster are the names of **children** from all over the world who have died at the hands of the state. The first name is that of **Gerald Donaghey**, who was 17 when he was murdered by the British Army on Bloody Sunday. His image also forms part of the design.

Gerald's niece Geraldine Doherty describes the poster as "a powerful reminder that from Derry to Gaza injustice is all around, but that resistance to it is everywhere too."

The **colours chosen for this year's programme** are an act of solidarity and sorrow at the **ongoing genocide in Gaza**, where Israel has murdered **over 10,000 children** since Oct 7, though thousands more died before that.

How many more will be dead by the end of January? How many more will have been killed by state arms, armies and police forces? How much more money will have flowed into the bank accounts of the companies who are literally making a killing out of suffering?

The people of Derry understand injustice and suffering only too well. We have long stood in solidarity with the people of Palestine. Free Derry wall has often been a site of that support. It will be transformed once more into that over the coming days.

As ever it manifests the spirit of oppressed people around the world who know that whilst **injustice is everywhere, so is the resistance.**

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NOTES TO EDITORS

About the 2024 programme

Highlights of the programme include a radical edition of Question Time featuring Eamonn McCann and Joe Brolly, a workshop for families and justice campaigners on defying state lies and a presentation by London based Forensic Architecture whose work on Palestine, police brutality and corporate environmental abuses harnesses new technologies to investigate human rights violations. Full programme can be viewed at https://issuu.com/bloodysundayderry/docs/march_for_justice_2024

About The Bloody Sunday March Committee

The Bloody Sunday March Committee organises the annual march and programme of events. Its members include relatives of those murdered on Bloody Sunday, journalists, lawyers, community activists, artists and welfare rights workers.

The aims of the Committee are:

1. To commemorate Derry's Bloody Sunday (30th January 1972).
2. Organise, promote and oversee an annual 'March for Justice' on and around the Sunday nearest the 30th January each year.
3. Ensure that this March acts as an inclusive platform for ongoing social, economic, environmental and human rights justice campaigns both here and abroad.
4. Organise an associated programme of human rights, cultural and educational events addressing contemporary issues (local, national and international) of resonance with Derry's Bloody Sunday.
5. Strive to ensure inclusive non-sectarian educational spaces where the complex social justice issues arising from the violent political conflict here, and others across the world can be freely addressed, and democratic actions initiated.
6. Promote through active, informed debate and actions, an active and informed citizenry

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